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Jianwei LIU, et al.

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## **AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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REQUEST

## CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

| Application Number     | 10/087,979          |
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| Filing Date            | March 05, 2002      |
| First Named Inventor   | Jianwei LIU, et al. |
| Group Art Unit         | 1773                |
| Examiner Name          | Resan, Stevan       |
| Attorney Docket Number | 50103-411           |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rute, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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